



STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

# QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

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Quarter ended 31st March, 1941.

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## 1.—POPULATION AND MIGRATION.

Period.	Population at end of period (a).			Natural Increase	Migration—Civil only. Increase + ; Decrease —		
	Males.	Females	Total.		Oversea.	Inter- state.	Total.
Year ended—	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
31st December, 1932	290,254	289,039	579,293	3,564	— 363	— 987	— 1,350
1934	292,519	291,775	584,294	3,056	— 32	— 1,407	— 1,439
1935	293,650	292,793	586,443	3,107	— 131	— 827	— 958
1936	294,807	294,505	589,312	3,447	+ 242	— 820	— 578
1937	295,611	295,590	591,201	3,738	— 7	— 1,842	— 1,849
1938	297,549	297,560	595,109	3,871	+ 346	— 309	+ 37
1939	299,635	298,828	598,463	3,879	+ 424	— 949	— 525
1940	297,848	300,242	598,090	4,309	+ 460	— 5,142	— 4,682
June Quarter, 1939	297,890	297,880	595,770	1,072	— 91	— 587	— 678
1940	298,654	299,666	598,320	979	+ 104	— 1,705	— 1,601
Sept. Quarter, 1939	298,528	298,585	597,113	797	+ 235	+ 311	+ 546
1940	297,760	299,664	597,424	945	+ 110	— 1,951	— 1,841
Dec. Quarter, 1939	299,162	299,301	598,463	913	+ 278	+ 159	+ 437
1940	297,848	300,242	598,090	1,185	+ 123	— 642	— 519

Metropolitan Population, 31st December, 1939, 322,988, or 54 per cent. of State.

(a) Inclusive of all troops enlisted, irrespective of present location.

## 2.—BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

Period.	Births.	Deaths.	Marriages.	Infantile Deaths.
	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year, 1931.....	9,079	4,888	3,069	330
1932.....	8,521	4,957	3,636	312
1934.....	8,459	5,403	4,310	301
1935.....	8,270	5,163	4,845	289
1936.....	8,911	5,464	5,182	277
1937.....	8,985	5,247	5,340	297
1938.....	9,410	5,539	5,489	287
1939.....	9,618	5,739	5,670	336
1940.....	10,017	5,708	6,950	353
January, 1940 .....	870	486	436	33
1941.....	877	524	452	25
February, 1940 .....	833	398	373	29
1941 .....	745	339	494	16
March, 1940 .....	826	445	745	31
1941 .....	936	463	498	24
March Quarter, 1940 .....	2,529	1,329	1,554	93
1941 .....	2,558	1,326	1,444	65

## 3.—RAINFALL.

Period.	Over Agricultural Areas, 1941.							State 35 Years' Mean.	Adelaide.	
	Central.	Lower North	Upper North	South- East.	Wes- tern.	Murray Mallee.	State.		1941.	102 Years' Mean.
	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.
January .....	4.89	3.92	3.55	3.38	1.35	3.57	2.99	.53	3.31	.75
February .....	.36	.21	.16	.45	.12	.20	.22	.75	.75	.74
March .....	1.60	1.52	1.30	2.05	1.82	1.20	1.63	.72	1.85	1.01
April .....	.93	.29	.22	2.26	.62	.85	.82	.93	1.01	1.77
	April to November.								Jan.-Dec.	
1940.....	11.56	6.62	3.38	14.36	7.73	7.25	8.38	—	16.16	21.17
1939.....	17.02	12.97	10.26	20.85	12.06	9.41	13.41	—	23.29	—
Mean, 35 years.	15.91	12.14	8.79	19.30	11.00	10.27	12.53	12.53	—	—

## 4.—EMPLOYMENT—MONTHLY INDEX FIGURES.

(Base July, 1933 = 100.)

	January.			February.			March.		
	1939.	1940.	1941.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1939.	1940.	1941.
State Government (a)	114	115	115	116	115	120	117	116	120
Commonwealth									
Government ... (a)	126	136	141	128	136	144	130	135	148
Local Government (a)	105	105	97	111	111	107	118	110	109
Public Bodies .... (a)	109	111	109	111	108	111	111	108	113
Retailers ..... (b)	111	111	116	112	110	111	111	109	110
Factories ..... (b)	162	164	200	166	166	209	168	169	218

(a) Complete. (b) Returns received from representative firms only.

## 5.—UNEMPLOYMENT AND FACTORIES EMPLOYMENT.

Particulars.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent. ....	22.0	13.6	9.4	7.3	9.4	8.8
Labour Exchange Registrations end June .....No.	13,111	10,970	8,033	7,739	8,574	5,978
Employment in Factories Index No. (a) .....	104	120	127	138	136	139
	January.		February.		March.	
	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.
Trade Unionists unemployed per cent. ....	—	—	8.5	3.9	—	—
Labour Exchange Registrations end month .....No.	6,574	4,603	5,946	2,978	5,494	2,719
Employment in Factories, Index No. (a) .....	139	170	141	177	144	185

(a) Base, 1929-30 = 100.

## 6.—STATE CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

Period.	Revenue.				Expenditure.			
	Land and Income Tax.	Other Taxation.	Railways.	Total (including Other).	Public Debt (a)	Railways (b)	Unemployed Relief.	Total (including Other).
Year, 1931-32 .....	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932-33 .....	1,919	1,157	2,760	10,482	5,439	2,061	853	11,545
1933-34 .....	1,561	1,172	2,771	10,161	5,346	2,023	632	11,170
1934-35 .....	1,648	1,261	2,609	10,188	5,203	2,065	542	11,032
1935-36 .....	1,825	1,399	2,649	11,002	4,982	2,147	490	10,965
1936-37 .....	1,789	1,415	2,851	11,409	4,934	2,324	415	11,260
1937-38 .....	1,978	1,563	3,000	11,739	4,976	2,471	375	11,600
1938-39 .....	2,358	1,564	3,293	12,461	5,061	2,765	319	12,334
1939-40 .....	2,424	1,692	3,165	12,304	5,096	2,851	304	12,701
1939-40 .....	2,679	1,884	3,145	12,756	5,247	2,844	336	12,918
Jan., 1940 .....	258	425	248	1,496	727	244	26	1,368
1941 .....	211	104	266	1,144	719	236	13	1,385
Feb., 1940 .....	304	132	219	1,121	248	228	24	877
1941 .....	327	121	236	1,130	287	214	12	854
Mar., 1940 .....	371	243	282	1,277	371	214	20	961
1941 .....	326	248	270	1,224	371	230	9	992
Mar., Quarter, 1940 ....	933	800	749	3,894	1,346	686	70	3,206
1941 ....	864	473	772	3,498	1,377	680	34	3,231
July-Mar., 1939-40 .....	1,361	1,432	2,283	8,862	3,949	2,033	249	9,600
1940-41 .....	1,426	1,137	2,520	8,938	4,014	2,014	143	9,529

(a) Interest, Exchange and Sinking Fund.

(b) Includes Pensions for annual figures, but not for monthly and quarterly.



## 7.—PUBLIC DEBT—STATE.

Date.	Public Debt.	Trust Funds, Bank Balances, etc.	Total Indebtedness.	Per Head.
	£	£	£	£ s. d.
30th June, 1932.....	101,599,232	1,519,244	103,118,476	178 7 9
1933.....	103,707,332	1,378,540	105,085,872	180 17 9
1934.....	105,419,280	1,262,812	106,682,092	182 18 1
1935.....	105,349,536	1,008,703	106,358,239	181 17 4
1936.....	105,698,481	1,833,739	107,532,220	183 2 0
1937.....	106,594,164	2,131,201	108,725,365	184 13 11
1938.....	107,450,640	1,944,607	109,395,247	184 14 0
1939.....	108,887,092	1,420,158	110,307,250	185 3 0
1940.....	109,344,040	1,365,283	110,709,323	185 0 8
31st Mar., 1940 .....	109,869,100	705,027	110,574,127	184 12 4
1941 .....	110,152,840	546,675	110,699,515	185 1 9

NOTE.—During the year ended 30th June, 1935, the amount of £804,988 was written off the Public Debt, being portion of Soldier Settlement Debt taken over by the Commonwealth.

## 8. TRADING BANKS (ex. State and Commonwealth Banks).

Period.	Deposits.					Advances.	Advances to Deposits.
	Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Total.		
	£	%	£	%	£		
June Quarter							
1932 .....	16,939,770	77·63	4,881,337	22·37	21,821,107	17,913,525	82·09
1933 .....	17,314,999	77·64	4,987,061	22·36	22,302,060	18,608,501	83·44
1934 .....	17,785,796	76·10	5,586,432	23·90	23,372,228	18,625,748	79·69
1935 .....	17,173,844	74·21	5,967,563	25·79	23,141,407	19,595,659	84·68
1936 .....	17,012,925	72·60	6,421,975	27·40	23,434,900	19,240,000	82·10
1937 .....	18,079,031	71·51	7,204,074	28·49	25,283,105	18,443,318	72·95
1938 .....	18,559,625	73·47	6,701,860	26·53	25,261,485	19,306,744	76·43
1939 .....	18,845,522	74·18	6,558,821	25·82	25,404,343	19,808,154	77·97
1940 .....	19,286,074	71·71	7,606,718	28·29	26,892,792	17,911,061	66·60
Mar. Quarter							
1940 .....	19,354,947	72·04	7,511,729	27·96	26,866,176	17,906,876	66·65
1941 .....	19,649,909	68·61	8,989,578	31·39	28,639,487	16,612,625	58·01

NOTE.—State and Commonwealth Banks, March Quarter, 1941. Advances, £3,036,898; Deposits, Bearing Interest, £2,575,934. Not Bearing Interest, £1,265,204; Total £3,841,138.

## 9. SAVINGS BANKS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

Period.	Savings Banks (State and Commonwealth).			Bank Clearings.	
	Accounts Open.	Deposits.	Per Head.	Total.	Weekly Average.
	No.	£	£ s. d.	£	£
1931-32 .....	572,051	21,566,825	37 6 2	100,419,134	1,919,426
1932-33 .....	584,004	22,515,288	38 15 1	108,566,658	2,079,464
1933-34 .....	595,524	23,437,505	40 3 8	115,558,007	2,214,061
1934-35 .....	607,724	24,184,988	41 7 1	124,254,209	2,385,660
1935-36 .....	622,609	25,308,586	43 1 10	136,851,967	2,592,203
1936-37 .....	645,313	26,505,941	45 0 6	151,281,047	2,900,357
1937-38 .....	657,814	27,243,654	45 19 11	158,944,202	3,039,755
1938-39 .....	669,685	27,397,028	45 19 9	153,932,144	2,952,870
1939-40 .....	677,685	26,563,287	44 7 11	167,988,303	3,219,186
Jan., 1940 .....	671,952	26,977,294	45 1 7	14,600,966	3,304,564
1941 .....	681,077	26,965,756	45 1 9	14,972,738	3,113,191
Feb., 1940 .....	675,722	27,242,331	45 9 8	17,129,864	4,124,081
1941 .....	684,773	27,144,916	45 7 9	14,449,953	3,684,501
Mar., 1940 .....	677,256	27,199,868	45 8 3	15,788,568	3,514,609
1941 .....	687,299	27,412,001	45 16 8	16,729,763	3,792,336

## 10. OVERSEA TRADE (DIRECT).

Period.	Exports.		Imports.	Excess Exports.
	£ Aus.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.	£ Stg.
1931-32 .....	12,264,227	9,772,000	2,821,538	6,950,462
1932-33 .....	12,802,189	10,242,000	3,760,324	6,481,676
1933-34 .....	12,718,325	10,175,000	3,679,412	6,495,588
1934-35 .....	11,834,784	9,468,000	3,965,808	5,502,192
1935-36 .....	15,381,124	12,305,000	5,419,960	6,885,040
1936-37 .....	16,748,140	13,399,000	5,438,429	7,960,571
1937-38 .....	19,057,243	15,246,000	7,473,802	7,772,198
1938-39 .....	14,841,507	11,873,000	5,851,043	6,021,957
July-April, 1938-39 .....	13,074,056	10,459,000	4,854,923	5,604,077
1939-40 .....	11,890,218	9,512,000	5,693,556	3,818,444

NOTE.—Publication of Trade Statistics since suspended.

# 11.—OVERSEA EXPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Unit.	Year.				July-March.	
		1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Quantities—							
Barley .....	bush.	3,360,946	2,312,332	4,390,374	2,248,212	1,732,502	748,134
Flour .....	ton	60,137	58,590	68,231	86,678	63,885	59,079
Wheat .....	bush.	22,669,070	16,770,810	28,805,592	18,486,303	15,407,166	7,216,719
Butter .....	lb.	7,953,012	7,291,690	8,809,153	7,385,564	6,141,640	8,411,809
Cheese .....	lb.	3,898,651	7,289,309	10,109,467	12,907,683	11,090,920	13,763,100
Eggs in shell .....	doz.	3,456,050	2,745,480	1,225,550	1,395,540	1,395,240	1,395,660
Lamb .....	carcases	342,177	420,374	376,893	667,248	666,324	687,823
Wool (a) .....	lb.	75,847,402	70,875,617	68,008,006	87,272,802	71,628,812	59,810,385
Currants and raisins ..	lb.	27,504,426	25,108,567	38,507,866	42,692,777	16,723,395	7,123,045
Wine .....	gall.	3,427,516	3,679,365	3,478,450	3,440,509	2,915,384	2,670,260
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	cwt.	3,749,405	2,393,740	3,171,943	4,077,760	2,889,577	2,035,271
Lead .....	cwt.	2,131,846	1,796,399	2,057,624	1,994,054	1,641,441	1,273,469
Values (Australian Currency)—							
Barley .....	£	353,533	432,079	746,661	279,311	218,883	88,804
Flour .....	£	422,899	558,675	617,446	498,396	374,708	379,018
Wheat .....	£	4,087,227	4,386,206	6,306,741	2,532,065	2,077,953	950,407
Butter .....	£	400,509	395,448	496,326	413,471	322,946	464,494
Cheese .....	£	80,851	166,122	294,136	372,776	321,875	409,149
Eggs in shell .....	£	165,892	140,542	68,441	75,915	75,894	72,329
Lamb .....	£	288,017	352,575	367,078	682,682	681,973	712,973
Wool .....	£	3,780,550	4,071,953	3,267,842	3,461,417	2,859,747	2,962,018
Currants and raisins ..	£	512,714	459,518	730,550	787,524	312,598	138,060
Wine .....	£	870,710	955,033	857,291	919,983	784,317	696,988
Concentrates (Silver, etc.)	£	531,685	737,060	684,856	553,410	432,379	355,944
Lead .....	£	1,759,672	2,080,903	1,992,168	1,846,630	1,535,546	1,280,425

(a) Including scoured converted to greasy.

# 12. OVERSEA IMPORTS (PRINCIPAL ITEMS).

Article.	Year.				July-March.	
	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1938-39.	1939-40.
(British Currency.)						
Apparel and attire .....	£ 61,419	£ 62,758	£ 78,970	£ 74,326	£ 61,056	£ 49,376
Bags and sacks .....	312,623	315,346	300,072	274,076	239,516	434,064
Fertilizers—Rock phosphates	129,773	129,015	131,000	138,981	94,833	88,300
Iron and steel .....	433,653	350,041	794,299	311,174	271,827	95,328
Machines and machinery ...	601,041	730,242	1,111,567	912,006	757,302	552,504
Motor bodies, chassis, etc. ..	375,010	373,703	515,185	354,923	272,870	248,698
Petrol, etc.....	417,979	421,437	562,893	495,219	379,969	610,284
Kerosene.....	68,194	62,706	124,132	66,751	48,480	81,780
Other oils in bulk .....	180,426	165,611	249,986	245,930	148,325	258,003
Paper .....	195,972	269,392	224,787	234,798	163,253	230,786
Stationery, books, etc.....	111,022	109,701	131,959	147,968	96,909	194,990
Tea .....	111,940	121,758	113,900	108,425	82,556	124,040
Textiles, piecegoods, etc. ...	610,588	612,363	733,714	600,050	477,792	516,474
Timber .....	274,150	175,886	526,309	294,297	207,644	229,542

## 13.—RAILWAYS (SUMMARY).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Working Expenses. <i>a.</i>	Train Miles Run.	Passengers Carried.	Goods and Livestock.	Passenger Mileage.
	£	£	No.	No.	Tons.	1,000m.
Year 1931-32..	2,757,123	1,921,744	4,914,265	15,608,384	2,430,226	166,409
1932-33..	2,744,741	1,894,477	4,909,588	16,074,121	2,401,070	172,106
1933-34..	2,570,837	1,937,913	4,930,271	16,325,004	2,154,639	175,559
1934-35..	2,669,470	2,023,918	5,080,319	16,660,213	2,346,736	177,655
1935-36..	2,890,710	2,193,457	5,462,146	17,430,674	2,481,568	189,061
1936-37..	3,021,662	2,331,334	5,606,353	17,776,629	2,400,423	205,329
1937-38..	3,299,084	2,612,562	6,111,121	17,632,125	2,897,351	200,144
1938-39..	3,133,373	2,675,299	6,177,407	17,528,651	2,661,168	212,982
1939-40..	3,183,562	2,679,622	5,928,416	17,641,766	2,700,163	220,037
Dec., 1939 ....	305,632	239,794	473,040	1,786,076	209,149	31,632
1940 ....	296,739	244,818	468,013	2,017,175	168,754	37,419
Jan., 1940 ....	248,406	241,257	481,161	1,536,659	191,085	18,270
1941 ....	265,682	236,276	473,750	1,823,001	184,659	23,676
Feb., 1940 ....	218,784	229,134	470,058	1,332,057	236,948	15,135
1941 ....	235,664	214,687	457,096	1,521,001	225,493	20,577
July-February, 1939-40 ....	2,001,176	1,817,582	3,924,210	11,507,660	1,653,772	143,173
1940-41 ....	2,249,714	1,785,377	3,874,212	12,784,213	1,786,234	174,164

*a* Excluding pensions and capital charges.

## 14.—RAILWAYS (TON-MILEAGES).

Period.	Gross Ton Mileage.					Net Ton Mileage (Revenue).
	Passenger.	Freight.	Mixed.	Departmental.	Total.	
Year—	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.	1,000 T.M.
1931-32 .....	262,756	681,354	25,997	15,482	985,589	287,654
1932-33 .....	276,764	685,430	24,585	22,429	1,009,208	283,604
1933-34 .....	292,016	677,057	21,649	19,034	1,009,756	265,720
1934-35 .....	313,338	713,036	22,416	15,638	1,064,428	281,109
1935-36 .....	355,657	800,899	20,404	17,599	1,194,559	312,839
1936-37 .....	405,689	823,513	24,132	25,112	1,278,446	314,515
1937-38 .....	421,956	950,375	27,297	33,909	1,433,537	365,066
1938-39 .....	421,187	951,051	25,840	31,844	1,429,922	348,614
1939-40 .....	411,719	876,011	57,412	28,742	1,373,884	336,980
Dec., 1939 ....	39,940	58,894	5,921	3,829	108,584	20,781
1940 ....	44,499	52,796	7,838	3,958	109,091	19,150
Jan., 1940 ....	38,502	59,217	6,460	1,956	106,135	21,944
1941 ....	42,306	56,384	9,364	3,565	111,619	20,006
Feb., 1940 ....	31,724	71,147	6,034	1,813	110,718	27,083
1941 ....	34,456	66,309	9,793	3,241	113,799	25,987
July-February, 1939-40 ....	279,358	565,003	32,150	19,341	895,852	205,653
1940-41 ....	289,718	561,244	71,758	26,076	948,796	215,316



### 15.—TRAMWAYS (DAILY AVERAGES).

Period.	Gross Revenue.	Passenger Journeys.	Tram Miles.	Elec- tricity.
	£	No.	No.	A.C. Units.
Year ended July, 1932.....	1,802	132,424	20,054	69,928
1933.....	1,762	131,929	20,203	71,926
1934.....	1,720	128,820	20,224	71,751
1935.....	1,752	131,830	20,404	72,298
1936.....	1,841	138,317	21,705	76,201
1937.....	1,916	142,689	22,087	77,209
1938.....	1,897	141,572	22,716	81,081
1939.....	1,948	144,948	23,869	87,084
1940.....	1,996	150,064	24,252	88,755
26th November to 23rd December, 1939	2,052	156,892	24,660	88,719
24th November to 21st December, 1940	2,150	165,806	24,038	96,778
24th Dec., 1939 to 31st Jan., 1940 .....	2,046	146,812	24,198	82,232
22nd Dec., 1940 to 31st Jan., 1941 .....	2,341	169,313	24,860	94,278
1st February to 2nd March, 1940 .....	2,005	148,430	24,455	88,004
1st February to 1st March, 1941 .....	2,265	166,263	24,779	99,891

### 16.—MOTOR REGISTRATIONS.

Period.	Cars.		Commercial Vehicles.		Cycles.	
	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
New Vehicles—						
January .....	353	188	92	84	50	48
February .....	400	200	133	92	48	29
March .....	363	205	135	65	44	33
March Quarter.....	1,116	593	360	241	142	110
Second-hand Vehicles—						
January .....	943	951	373	347	429	476
February .....	1,140	1,002	395	373	487	497
March .....	1,200	1,107	420	428	468	566
March Quarter .....	3,283	3,060	1,188	1,148	1,384	1,539
Renewals—						
March Quarter.....	8,123	11,053	3,287	4,096	1,731	2,056
Cancellations—						
March Quarter.....	2,772	2,421	835	729	764	899
Expirations—						
March Quarter.....	9,111	12,109	3,625	4,573	2,286	2,872

## 17.—MOTORS, TELEPHONES, WIRELESS.

Period.	Motor Vehicles in use (a).				Telephone Connections.		Wireless Licences.	
	Cars.	Commercial Vehicles.	Cycles.	Total.	New.	Existing (a).	New.	Existing (a).
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Year ended Dec., 1931 ..	45,140	12,139	10,045	67,324	2,869	49,276	10,186	32,075
1932 ..	46,558	12,638	9,736	68,932	3,100	48,608	15,646	43,268
1933 ..	46,413	14,197	10,455	71,065	3,605	48,528	17,903	55,639
1934 ..	48,939	17,267	10,470	76,676	4,882	49,802	21,911	72,337
1935 ..	49,496	17,157	10,741	77,394	5,048	51,516	17,407	81,629
1936 ..	53,728	19,415	11,110	84,253	5,501	53,875	19,867	93,881
1937 ..	56,101	21,728	11,802	88,631	5,727	56,517	20,293	105,045
1938 ..	60,537	24,985	10,213	95,735	6,095	58,960	20,568	115,571
1939 ..	59,345	25,740	9,492	94,577	5,449	61,565	16,460	120,584
1940 ..	58,184	24,499	9,215	91,898	5,977	63,593	16,744	127,995
January, 1940 .....	59,416	25,856	9,542	94,814	480	61,797	1,340	121,904
1941 .....	58,659	24,508	9,247	92,414	539	63,798	1,302	128,401
February, 1940 .....	59,586	25,967	9,633	95,186	639	62,067	1,249	122,445
1941 .....	58,521	24,566	9,154	92,241	522	63,990	1,237	128,917
March, 1940 .....	59,984	26,115	9,699	95,798	471	62,328	1,149	121,954
1941 .....	58,360	24,682	9,143	92,185	471	64,158	1,381	130,127

(a) At end of period stated.

## 18.—PRICES (MEAN) ADELAIDE WHOLESALE.

Period.	Wheat.	Barley.	Oats.	Hay.	Bullocks.	Merino Wethers	Lambs.
	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Bush. s. d.	Tons. £ s. d.	Prime. £ s. d.	Prime. s. d.	Prime. s. d.
January, 1940 .....	a	a	1 3½	1 15 0	11 13 0	19 3	19 3
1941 .....	a	a	3 0	3 3 0	16 8 9	14 0	19 0
February, 1940 .....	a	a	1 3½	1 16 3	11 15 0	19 9	18 6
1941 .....	a	a	3 1	3 5 0	16 15 0	18 0	20 6
March, 1936 .....	3 6	1 9	1 10	1 17 6	11 1 3	21 9	19 9
1937 .....	5 3	4 3½	2 4½	3 15 0	10 8 3	24 9	20 6
1938 .....	3 9½	3 2	2 6	2 4 6	12 2 0	20 0	19 0
1939 .....	1 11½	2 2	2 1½	2 15 0	14 13 0	19 3	20 0
1940 .....	a	a	1 5½	1 17 9	12 13 9	20 0	19 3
1941 .....	a	a	3 1	3 5 0	17 7 6	19 6	19 3

(a) No quotations.

## 19.—WOOL SALES.

Period.	Greasy and Scoured.		Amount Realized.	Price per Lb. Greasy.	In Store end Period.
	Bales.	Lb.	£	d.	Bales.
Year, 1931-32 .....	197,954	64,158,321	1,847,946	6-88	14,065
1932-33 .....	262,058	84,832,832	2,604,950	7-32	4,212
1933-34 .....	245,311	76,580,369	4,479,165	13-96	20,045
1934-35 .....	272,724	86,383,700	2,959,314	8-14	4,815
1935-36 .....	263,280	83,102,553	4,151,115	11-92	5,029
1936-37 .....	257,300	80,350,616	4,601,851	13-66	4,040
1937-38 .....	273,056	85,165,647	4,018,205	11-28	13,913
1938-39 .....	325,854	100,982,688	3,842,380	9-10	7,192

From 1939-40, Wool sales were cancelled owing to purchase of wool by British Government.

## 20.—PRICES—RETAIL ADELAIDE.

Period.	Bread, 2lb.	Flour, 2lb.	Tea, lb.	Milk, Quart.	Butter (Fac- tory), lb.	Eggs, Doz.	Potatoes 7lb.	Beef Ribs, lb.	Mutton Leg, lb.
	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
January, 1940 .....	5-50	4-55	31-60	5-85	19-05	12-65	8-33	7-35	7-85
1941 .....	5-50	4-55	32-70	5-85	19-05	14-00	12-57	8-60	7-70
February, 1940 .....	5-50	4-55	32-35	5-85	19-05	14-95	6-42	7-70	8-20
1941 .....	5-50	4-55	33-05	5-85	19-05	16-25	11-21	9-35	8-15
March, 1936 .....	4-45	—	27-40	5-65	17-50	12-25	—	6-00	6-90
1937 .....	5-50	4-30	27-85	5-95	17-70	17-65	5-99	6-00	7-60
1938 .....	5-00	4-25	27-85	5-85	19-05	18-45	6-86	7-60	7-90
1939 .....	5-50	4-60	27-85	5-85	19-50	17-20	19-57	8-35	8-15
1940 .....	5-50	4-55	32-15	5-85	19-05	16-95	7-00	7-60	8-10
1941 .....	5-50	4-55	33-05	5-85	19-05	17-20	9-13	9-40	8-10

## 21.—PRICE INDEX FIGURES (ADELAIDE).

Base. Six capitals 1923-1927 = 1,000.

Item.	January.		February.		March.	
	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.
	Year.				March. Quarter.	
	1937.	1938.	1939.	1940.	1940.	1941.
Food and groceries .....	872	908	883	926	888	920
Food and groceries .....	826	861	897	900	881	918
Housing (four and five rooms) .....	832	868	888	892	892	—
Food, groceries, and housing .....	826	862	891	895	883	—
All items (a) .....	859	888	906	936	912	970

(a) "All items"; food, groceries, housing (four and five rooms), clothing, and miscellaneous expenditure.

## 22.—BUILDING PERMITS (METROPOLITAN AREA).

Period.	Dwellings. (a)		Other Buildings.		Additions.	Total Value (Ex. Govt.)	Value (Govt.)
	No.	£	No.	£			
Year, 1931.....	45	28,952	48	163,334	107,938	300,224	23,000
1932.....	110	91,508	65	72,294	125,780	289,582	98,909
1933.....	203	166,862	69	195,686	179,273	541,821	144,000
1934.....	385	321,202	102	266,061	221,369	808,632	44,161
1935.....	685	616,133	197	416,834	270,190	1,303,157	141,169
1936.....	917	714,923	194	236,522	279,707	1,231,152	351,301
1937.....(a)	1,308	1,039,036	195	430,414	319,963	1,789,413	77,671
1938.....	1,562	1,139,906	196	496,305	395,270	2,031,481	203,650
1939.....	1,537	1,128,933	186	904,480	348,824	2,382,237	163,904
1940.....	1,714	1,238,995	98	373,865	360,802	1,973,662	648,082
January, 1940.....	144	92,329	9	33,902	19,201	145,432	107,528
1941.....	110	90,341	21	26,809	29,721	146,871	287,625
February, 1940.....	163	109,399	8	23,355	34,402	167,156	4,811
1941.....	96	78,528	6	6,755	19,368	104,651	36,184
March, 1940.....	102	78,354	3	84,761	18,247	181,362	2,488
1941.....	84	66,691	5	116,910	28,381	211,982	68,593
March Quarter, 1940.....	409	280,082	20	142,018	71,850	493,950	114,827
1941.....	290	235,560	32	150,474	77,470	463,504	392,412

(a) From 1937 each dwelling unit counted separately.



**23.—SALES TAX.**

Approximate Amount of Sales by Traders Registered under Sales Tax Acts.

Year.	Taxable Goods.				Taxable and Exempt Goods.			
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Total Year.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Total Year.
	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
1932.....	1,069	876	848	11,159	2,416	2,202	2,084	26,577
1933.....	918	796	911	10,377	2,253	2,137	2,251	26,197
1934.....	951	698	797	10,014	2,179	1,744	2,385	26,243
1935.....	973	769	863	11,124	2,369	2,461	2,186	28,414
1936.....	1,102	902	960	11,909	2,509	2,269	2,294	29,901
1937.....	966	1,148	963	12,587	2,680	2,731	2,717	35,696
1938.....	1,142	962	1,051	12,685	3,354	2,592	3,296	36,968
1939.....	1,172	975	1,041	12,330	2,933	2,538	3,069	35,562
1940.....	1,469	1,063	1,005	12,629	3,944	3,170	2,918	38,311
1941.....	1,591	1,260	1,470	—	4,096	2,985	3,594	—

Numerous commodities were exempted from tax as from 1st September, 1932, 26th October, 1933, 1st August, 1934, 25th October, 1935, 26th September, 1936, and 13th December, 1938. Consequently many traders dealing exclusively in exempt goods ceased to supply returns and the proportion of wholesale trade covered by the records has been progressively reduced. A greater number became taxable from 22nd November, 1940. The figures above cannot be compared without allowance for this fact.

**24.—COMPANIES, MORTGAGES, ETC.**

Period.	Companies Registered.		Mortgages Registered—Real Estates.		Land Transferred.
	Companies.	Authorized Capital.	Loans.	Discharges.	
	No.	£	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	122	2,067,785	7,764,757	2,249,076	6,355,100
1932.....	115	2,119,500	4,389,999	2,500,727	4,574,025
1933.....	156	2,200,980	4,013,037	2,778,376	4,849,176
1934.....	139	2,335,485	4,060,222	3,769,315	5,708,100
1935.....	150	3,705,132	5,102,905	3,715,313	7,036,500
1936.....	99	1,488,200	5,993,845	4,076,106	8,368,200
1937.....	157	3,939,900	7,044,973	4,798,819	9,773,250
1938.....	139	2,630,225	7,224,649	5,343,113	10,648,900
1939.....	149	3,625,928	5,807,137	4,229,509	8,226,650
1940.....	73	611,000	6,024,093	4,569,260	8,224,600
January, 1940.....	6	40,900	368,028	307,891	630,700
1941.....	1	2,500	374,278	300,494	533,400
February, 1940.....	9	26,000	725,967	321,797	553,300
1941.....	3	20,000	367,049	322,545	649,400
March, 1940.....	6	43,500	433,146	393,504	739,200
1941.....	—	—	442,639	333,763	816,100
March Quarter, 1940....	21	110,400	1,527,141	1,023,192	1,923,200
1941....	4	22,500	1,183,966	956,802	1,998,900

**25.—BANKRUPTCY (Sequestrations, Deeds, Schemes, Etc.).**

Period.	Primary Producers.	Total.	Liabilities.	Assets.	Excess Liabilities.
	No.	No.	£	£	£
Year 1931.....	456	996	1,491,178	1,101,919	389,259
1932.....	316	654	1,341,620	961,257	380,363
1933.....	282	570	1,339,435	1,061,860	277,575
1934.....	373	626	1,484,031	1,017,972	466,059
1935.....	357	597	1,376,855	753,528	623,327
1936.....	342	551	1,964,627	1,420,209	544,418
1937.....	227	468	1,547,794	1,143,739	404,055
1938.....	245	461	1,526,833	1,070,393	456,440
1939.....	344	630	1,909,887	1,283,966	625,921
1940.....	214	437	980,784	778,432	202,352
January, 1940 .....	9	21	43,826	28,954	14,872
1941 .....	24	33	106,333	69,819	36,514
February, 1940 .....	24	45	107,869	87,664	20,205
1941 .....	30	43	135,096	98,694	36,402
March, 1940 .....	71	96	272,525	259,444	13,081
1941 .....	46	62	231,763	212,333	19,430
March Quarter, 1940 .....	104	162	424,220	376,062	48,158
1941 .....	100	138	473,192	380,846	92,346

NOTE.—For 1931 and portion of 1932, liabilities and assets of compositions are not included.

**26.—BUTTER AND CHEESE PRODUCTION.**

Period.	Butter (lb.).			Cheese (lb.).		
	1938-39	1939-40	1940-41	1938-39	1939-40	1940-41
In Factories.						
January .....	1,150,267	1,651,365	1,477,003	1,189,616	1,688,507	1,463,129
February ....	973,160	1,375,266	1,092,074	789,682	1,231,104	1,030,585
March .....	1,042,799	1,053,338	1,119,869	855,652	897,477	1,113,814
July-March ...	14,066,518	16,607,613	14,583,154	15,175,711	17,939,841	16,177,525
Year.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.
In Factories ..	18,922,496	17,553,631	19,842,843	15,516,879	18,457,298	20,549,867
On Farms ....	3,505,802	3,162,953	3,095,538	—	300	180
Total ....	22,428,298	20,716,584	22,938,381	15,516,879	18,457,598	20,550,047

## 27.—SLAUGHTERINGS AT METROPOLITAN ABATTOIRS (for home consumption).

Period.	Bullocks.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep.	Lambs.	Pigs.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
January-March, 1940 .....	6,756	6,491	9,082	73,030	78,257	6,214
1941 .....	6,128	7,744	9,373	89,720	91,973	13,047
January-December, 1936....	33,280	21,138	45,710	295,910	287,665	43,216
1937....	35,734	24,007	45,635	291,487	285,019	40,183
1938....	30,562	27,136	45,080	306,068	327,543	31,443
1939....	28,216	26,240	42,156	327,660	341,073	29,602
1940....	30,950	25,751	47,537	345,381	362,860	38,150

## 28.—ELECTRICITY.

Sales by Adelaide Electric Supply Co., Ltd. (In British Units).

Year Ended February.				Quarter Ended February	
1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1938.	1939.
68,796,508	79,665,733	94,707,895	108,376,745	30,719,507	33,597,994
1938.	1939.	1940.	1941.	1940.	1941.
126,035,337	137,216,465	144,504,585	158,024,844	35,248,619	40,266,655

## 29.—GAS AND ELECTRICITY OUTPUT.

1932-33.	1933-34.	1934-35.	1935-36.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.
Gas (1,000,000 cubic feet).							
1,121	1,066	1,082	1,090	1,119	1,155	1,182	1,240
Electricity (1,000 British Units).							
148,348	165,598	176,434	200,488	223,925	240,903	256,282	270,415

### 30.—LATEST PRODUCTION STATISTICS AND MISCELLANEOUS DATA NOT ELSEWHERE INCLUDED.

Item.	Unit.	1936-37.	1937-38.	1938-39.	1939-40.	1940-41.
Wheat.....	acres	3,058,457	3,161,739	3,080,401	2,734,595	62,600,000
	bush.	28,714,653	43,428,423	31,674,418	41,071,696	618,000,000
	average	9.39	13.73	10.28	15.02	66.9
Barley.....	acres	304,559	411,288	457,039	503,548	6510,000
	bush.	4,260,462	8,647,043	7,541,090	9,960,237	65,350,000
	average	13.99	21.02	16.50	19.78	610.5
Oats.....	acres	414,723	332,434	266,842	349,018	6580,000
	bush.	2,363,806	2,960,944	2,401,128	4,062,541	62,250,000
	average	5.70	8.91	9.00	11.64	63.9
Hay.....	acres	539,127	562,057	519,309	531,614	6460,000
	tons	501,003	687,312	585,554	646,075	6420,000
	average	0.93	1.22	1.13	1.22	60.9
Manures used						
Crops ....	tons	161,654	176,351	179,118	170,111	
Pastures ..	tons	46,399	51,196	56,325	53,583	
Cattle .....	No.	328,013	324,163	318,897	351,013	
Horses .....	No.	200,870	197,334	195,834	190,013	
Sheep .....	No.	7,905,112	8,904,402	9,936,586	9,940,570	
Pigs .....	No.	85,048	66,647	71,292	119,660	
Sheep Shorn .	No.	7,940,476	8,654,764	9,942,135	10,132,619	610,250,000
Wool Clip ...	lb.	66,743,386	74,893,269	88,345,467	91,136,064	690,000,000
Wool Prodn. (a)	lb.	76,604,296	86,606,388	102,888,121	105,265,869	6105,000,000
Ewes Mated .	No.	3,519,568	3,662,227	4,202,848	4,436,435	64,675,000
Lambs Marked	No.	2,079,426	2,476,804	3,077,634	3,102,835	63,050,000
Wine—						
Beverage...	gall.	7,434,170	6,928,378	6,045,301	5,387,244	
Distillation	gall.	7,592,332	8,960,500	5,101,745	5,792,400	
Total ...	gall.	15,026,502	15,888,878	11,147,046	11,179,644	
Currants ....	cwt.	161,858	187,332	191,381	208,930	
Raisins .....	cwt.	227,631	332,178	233,138	299,869	
Apples .....	bush.	841,504	1,275,486	808,020	589,112	
Oranges.....	bush.	654,889	802,255	815,460	754,070	
Factories						
Establishments	No.	1,916	1,980	2,067	2,265	
Hands ...	No.	40,710	44,084	43,371	45,050	
Wages, etc.	£	7,518,239	8,412,975	8,547,462	8,957,893	
Output ...	£	34,528,176	36,239,937	35,005,264	37,696,538	
Production						
Value...	£	12,271,563	13,820,155	13,678,930	14,403,520	
Life Assurance						
New Policies	No.	48,800	54,205	50,057	48,976	
	£	5,395,553	6,255,724	6,035,238	5,716,856	

a Including wool on skins.

b Estimated.